[Council to Honble Mr. Holker.]

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The Business which you have put yourself to the Trouble of send- p. 63 ing for has been ready since Saturday and only waited the Express by whom the letter to M^r Smith and others were to be conveyed to Baltimore. We are exceedingly sorry to have put you to the Necessity of sending for the Permit.

[Council to Honble Mr. Holker.]

Ibid.

In the Hurry of the Variety of Business that claims our Attention, we omitted to send you an Invoice of such military Stores as we would prefer if our Propositions should be accepted, any mercantile Gentlemen to whom you should think proper to have them made known

[Council to Reverend Mr. Hannah.]

Ibid.

We intend to have the Skow brought to Annapolis and examined and then we shall determine whether to sell or keep her for the use of the State if we should determine to sell, you shall be informed of the Terms.

[Council to Mr. Thomas Donellan.]

Ibid.

M^r Stephen Steward will deliver you a considerable Quantity of Flour that was purchased for the Porpoise which you will receive, on Account of the State, noting the quality as well as the Quantity

[Council to Samuel Adams, Esqr., Chairman of the Committee Ibid. of Congress.]

We received your Favor of the 6th Instant by which it appears the Committee have been much deceived by the Information received respecting the Flour stopped by Mr Hollingsworth, who was empowered by an Act of the General Assembly (and did not act in Consequence of any Regulation of the executive Council) to Stop all Flour about to be transported out of the State by Land except what was for the Army correspondent to which this Board upon being informed of the Seizure of one hundred Barrels of Flour said to be purchased for the Bank, instructed Mr Hollingsworth to inquire if that Flour was purchased for the Bank and for the use of the Army, and if upon Inquiry he should be satisfied it was, to suffer it to be removed. Whatever Respect the Opinion of the Committee may deserve in a Matter upon which they have deliberated, we think their Judgement of the wisdom and Policy of a Measure with which they appear to be unacquainted can have no Influence. We feel the sufferings of the Army and have and will upon this and every future occasions contribute our utmost Endeavours (which have never been surpassed by any State in the Union) to releive and support it, and